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1944 REGIONAL VICTORY GARDEN CONFERENCES

The Inter-Departmental Victory Garden Committee in connection with the War Food Administration, the Department of Agriculture, the Federal and State Extension Services, and affiliated agencies, is calling a series of Victory Garden Conferences to consider food needs for 1944, and to arrive at common understanding of garden programs, plans, organization, and procedure for 1944. We should like a representative attendance from garden clubs, local and State garden committees, Civilian Defense, American Women's Voluntary Services, the seed and horticulture trade, the press, magazines and radio services. The conferences as scheduled for the Southern States follow:

<u>Atlanta, Georgia</u>	Piedmont Hotel	January 24-25
Virginia		
North Carolina		
Georgia		
South Carolina		
Florida		
<u>New Orleans, Louisiana</u>	St. Charles Hotel	January 26-27
Texas		
Louisiana		
Mississippi		
Alabama		
<u>Memphis, Tennessee</u>	Peabody Hotel	January 28-29
Tennessee		
Kentucky		
Arkansas		
Oklahoma		

The principal points of the tentative program are:

1. Report from each State extension director on the results of the Victory Garden Program in 1943.
2. Food requirements and the need for enlarging the Victory Garden Program in 1944.
3. National and State Victory Garden Programs.

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4. Seed, fertilizer, and supply situation.
5. How can our Victory gardeners make their gardens produce more?
6. The need for more community gardens.
7. Problems of the urban gardener.
8. How may we improve our farm gardens?
9. The effect of organization of State and local Victory Garden committees and their work.
10. Problems in preserving and storing Victory Garden products.

After the presentation of these topics at the general sessions, those attending will be asked to join others in committee work to discuss more fully some of the materials and problems involved in each topic, and then to bring recommendations to the general body for consideration.

This circular letter constitutes an invitation to you to attend the conference and participate in the proceedings. We hope you will be able to come.

Sincerely yours,

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